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STAEBLING

FAMILY TREE

1598 - 1939

W. E. Staehling





## PREFACE

IT was on Decoration or Memorial Day, May 30, 1939, that the first attempt was made by the undersigned, to put into writing the material he had gathered from various sources and which will form the contents of this "Staehling Family Tree" pamphlet.

Memorial Day is a day devoted to the memory of our dear departed ones. This booklet is dedicated to the memory of dear parents Johann George Staehling and Emilie Christiane, nee Clasing, who represent the last and seventh known generation of the Staehling family in the old German homeland, but who came to our country in 1887 and resided in America the last years of their lives. They form the connecting link between the old and the new world. Their graves at Springdale Cemetery, Clinton, Iowa, are indicated by two plain tombstones with their names and the texts of funeral sermons engraved thereon. This booklet is to serve as a monument erected to keep alive the memory of these most deserving parents, who looked not only for the earthly welfare of their nine children, but truly reared them "in the fear and admonition of the Lord" Eph. 6:4, and who by their shining example of a christian life have been a blessing to their children for time and eternity. When referring to them in this booklet, we shall use the German words for father and mother, namely: "Vater" and "Mutter."

Honorable mention should be given to the Rev. C. Moutoux, the pastor of the Zella-Loshausen parish at the time when the undersigned visited the German homeland in 1906. To his untiring efforts in searching through the church record books it is due that the ancestry of the Staehling family can be traced to the year 1598. Since the old church at Loshausen and also the church record books had been destroyed in the 30 years' war, a further research was made impossible.

The undersigned is also gratefully indebted for the inspiration and assistance he received from an old friend of his, the Rev. John Haefner, of Muscatine, Iowa, who years ago published a most interesting folder of the "Fritschel Family Tree."

In conclusion, the undersigned wishes to express his sincere gratitude to all members of the family group for the spirit of cooperation manifested in furnishing the statistical items needed.

"Errare humanum est!" If errors have been made and inaccuracies are noticed in presenting the names and dates of each branch of the family group, it surely was not so intended. Some questionnaires were returned not properly filled out.

Since nearly all living members of the Staehling family group are affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church a special reference to church membership is not needed when the various groups are listed.

We shall best honor our dear departed ancestral parents when we follow in their footsteps.

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"Faith of our fathers, holy faith.

We will be true to thee till death!"

W. E. STAEHLING, Family Historian,  
Waupun, Wisconsin, August 21, 1939.





## The Historical Background of the Staehling Family

It was in an office room at Waupun, Wisconsin, at the time when the family tree drawing was finished and the writer of this booklet was showing the drawing to one of his acquaintances when this man exclaimed, "That is most marvelous. There isn't a family in our city that can trace its ancestry back in a straight unbroken line to the year 1598." Someone present said: "He knew of an acquaintance that wanted to trace back his ancestry to as far back as possible but when he found out that his great grandfather was a horse thief he stopped further investigations." We laughed!

Our forefathers, thanks to God, were religious, God fearing kind-hearted men and this holds true especially in the case of Vater Staehling, his father and grandfather. Those who knew them said they were most sincere Christian men, who, without doubt, have reached the glorious goal, the heavenly mansions spoken of by our Saviour.



*Old Staehling house in Loshausen, Hesse-Cassel. Picture taken in 1921. House still in use.*

Our forefathers were common people, peasants, tillers of the soil, but they tilled their own soil and that accounts for the fact that they remained in the same village from 1598 to 1812. Loshausen in the county of Ziegenhain, state of Hesse-Cassel, Germany, is the first place to be mentioned in the history of the Staehling family. It is one of a group of 12 or more villages of the Schwalm river region that is inhabited by a race of people that differs from the rest of the population in dialect, manner of dress and customs. No one seems to know how it could come about that this small circle of villages should distinguish itself from the rest of the population as has been stated. In an article of an almanac, "Hess. Volkskalender," 1884, these people are credited with high qualities of character, especially of being most sincere and honest.



They are called a "peasant nobility." The two pictures are typical of the life and custom of garb of the four oldest ancestors who lived at Loshausen in the Schwalm river valley. These customs in the main are still observed, for both pictures were taken only a few years ago, in 1925 and later.

It might prove quite interesting for members of the Staehling family group in America, when traveling in Germany, to visit this village of Loshausen, first mentioned in a record dating back to 1255. In the year 1812 Johann Conrad Staehling, the father of Vater Staehling left Loshausen and moved to the nearby village of Allendorf



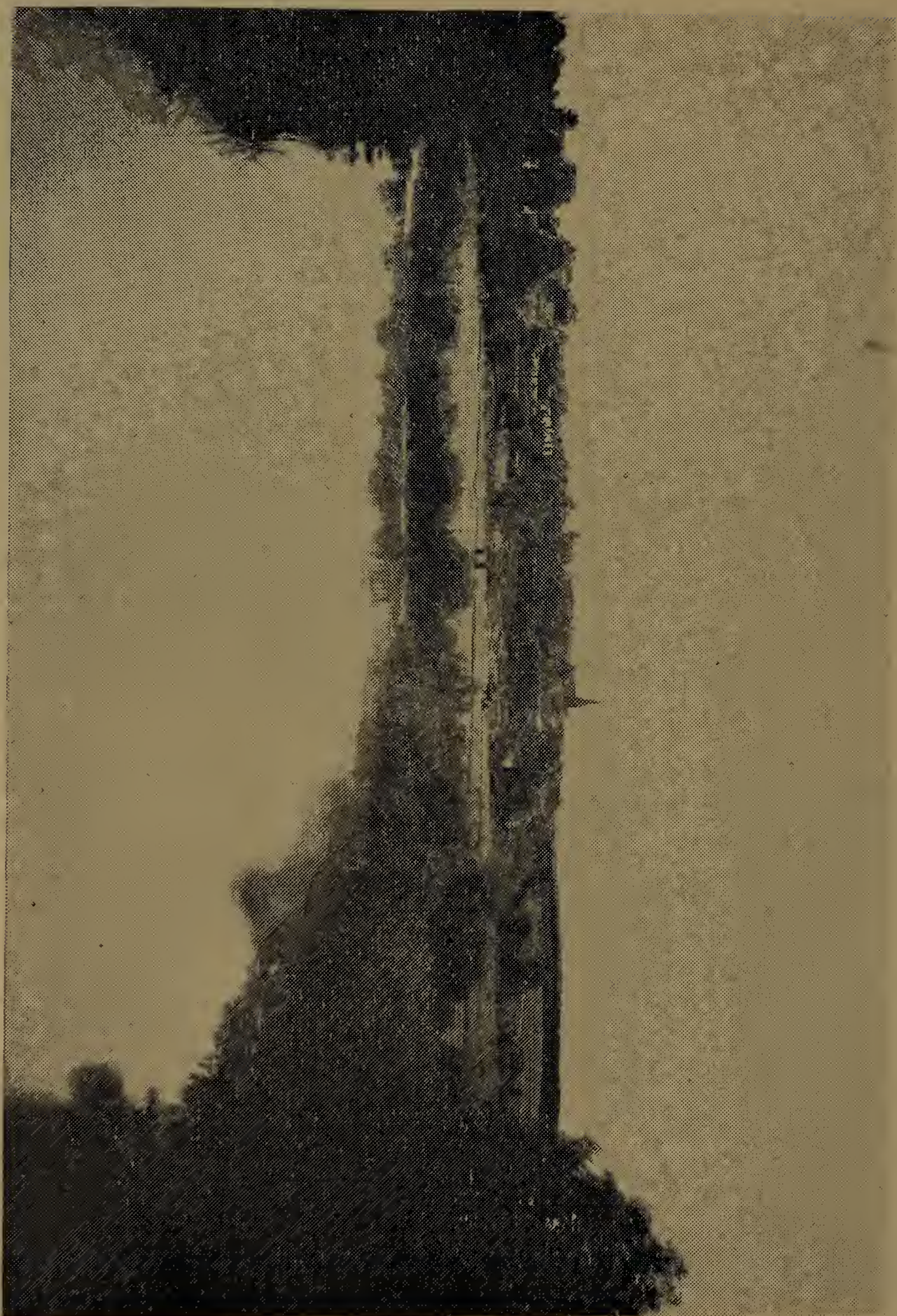
*Grandfather and Granddaughter*



*Young woman in a wedding dress.*

near the Landsburg. Here Vater Staehling was born on January 8, 1823. The church in which he was baptized has been replaced by a new stately building, but the old church bells in use before the Reformation, i. e. over 400 years ago, are still sending out their melodious peals to call people to the worship of God.





*Picture of the Schwalm river near Allendorf and Schlierbach.*



In the year 1826 Johann Conrad Staehling left Ailendorf and moved to the nearby village of Schlierbach, County of Fritzlar, where he made his home up to the time of his death in 1853.

Conrad Staehling

THE signature of his name here given is taken from a book he loved to read in. You will notice the difference in spelling the name without the "a."

Both ways of spelling are in use. In all the official papers of Vater Staehling, being a schoolmaster, the name is spelled without the "a." Since, however, the name was rendered with the "a" in his Birth and Baptismal certificate, Vater Staehling resolved to write the name with the "a" in it, when coming to America and taking out his citizenship papers. Although both ways of spelling the name are permissible and legal, as is expressly stated on the Baptismal Certificate of the writer of this pamphlet, the spelling of the name with the "a" is more significant, for "Staehling" is evidently derived from the word "Stahl" or "Staehlern," the German words for "Steel" or "Steely."

Schlierbach, being the place where Vater Staehling spent his childhood days, where his father and grandfather had lived and died, is a place most dear in the memory of the nine living children of Vater Staehling. Here they could spend pleasant vacation days in the home of the good "Tante" Gross.

Since Vater Staehling took up the calling of teaching and his older brother Hellwig, being the inspector of a large estate or farm of a count, did not care to take over the homestead of 100 acres of land, a sister of Vater Staehling, Anna Maria, married to Johann H. Gross, stayed in the Staehling home at Schlierbach. Her grandson, August Gross, is the present-day proprietor of the farm and home.

### **Some Peculiar Items, Worthy to Be Remembered**

When looking over the statistical sketch of the Staehling family group you will notice that not one of the seven known forefathers in the old German homeland died below the Biblical age of 70 years.

It is also noteworthy that Johannes Staehling and Johann George, his grandson, reached the same age with the exception of only one day.

The name "Adam" is only once to be found among the names of members of the Staehling family group and it is quite significant that the first known ancestral father of the group should bear the name "Adam."

The name "Hellwig" as a given name is quite an unusual name. The writer of this family history cannot remember knowing anyone outside of the Staehling family group being called by that name. The name has a good meaning: "Heller Wicht." I leave the translation of this to others.

Hellwig Jungclaus, the brother of Vater Staehling's mother, was the sponsor to Hellwig Staehling of Kirchain, Vater's only right brother. This Hellwig became the sponsor to his nephew, Helwig Staehling, of Joliet, Illinois, and he is the sponsor to his nephew, Hellwig Staehling, of Waupun, Wisconsin, the printer of this family tree booklet. The name has been handed down from uncle to nephew during four generations.

Under God's blessing all the nine children of Vater and Mutter Staehling who make up the first generation of the Staehling family in America, are still living, the oldest member has celebrated his 84th birthday on July 30th of this year.

## Maternal Ancestry

MUTTER Emilie Christine Staehling hails from a country adjoining Hesse-Cassel to the North. Her birthplace is Hemeringen near Hameln, state of Hanover, Germany. She was the fifth child of the owner of a paper mill, Carl Clasing and his wife, Caroline Louise, nee Damler. Her great grandfather Simon Heinrich Clasing was the owner of a paper mill in Ahrensburg County of Schaumburg near the castle by the same name which was built in 1030 A.D.

The following account given of the lives of both Vater and Mutter Staehling is taken from the obituaries read at the funerals of both parents by the Rev. L. Seehase, at that time the pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Clinton, Iowa. A translation of these obituaries was kindly rendered by a grandson of Vater and Mutter Staehling, Will Kraushaar, now President of Texas Lutheran College, Seguin, Texas.

Of Mutter Staehling we find the following recorded: She was unexcelled as a Christian mother. The spiritual and eternal welfare of her children was always her greatest concern and a prayer for them rose daily to the mercy-seat. In her last days despite the greatest weakness and excruciating pain her faith remained steadfast. She departed life at Clinton, Iowa, February 18, 1911, at the age of 78 years, 8 months and 23 days. Rev. L. Seehase delivered an impressive funeral sermon on the text: Job 18:28. "I know that My Redeemer liveth," which Mutter had selected for her funeral herself. A favorite expression of her inner life is contained in the following verses kindly translated into English by the husband of her youngest daughter, Dorothea, by Herman Brueckner of Hebron, Nebraska.

"Alone and yet not all alone,  
I spend my days in cheerfulness;  
For when no earthly friends I own  
I find in Jesus full redress.  
I am with Him, and He with me;  
How, then, can I forsaken be!"

Another favorite prayer verse is the following:

"Jesus let me spend in gladness  
This ensuing year of grace.  
Save me from the pit of sadness  
When the ills of life I face.  
Then in joy to Thee I'll cleave  
As this transient world I leave."

Among other points mentioned in the obituary of Mutter Staehling is the following: "When he (Vater) fought the battle of faith and was deposed of his office as school teacher and lost his position for conscience sake during the period of persecution, she (Mutter) stood loyally at his side and willingly bore privations and sufferings during those years.

This leads up to the question: What made Vater and Mutter leave the German homeland? In short, the answer to that question could be given similar to the one: What made the Pilgrim fathers come to America? They came to America not to seek gold, but God. When in 1873 the so-called Prussian Union was introduced in Hess-Cassel, merging by force the Reformed and Lutheran Churches in one body, Vater Staehling was found among the number of those faithful 42 pastors and 16 school teachers who protested against this encroachment upon their religious conviction and remained true to the maxim of St. Peter: "One must obey God rather than man." Act. 5:29.

After having faithfully served as schoolmaster of the Christian public school for 30 years at Volkmarsen from 1843 to 1854 and at Merxhausen from 1854 to 1873, he found himself deprived of all means of existence with a family of nine children. His trust in God was not in vain. In spite of all adversities he was able by the help

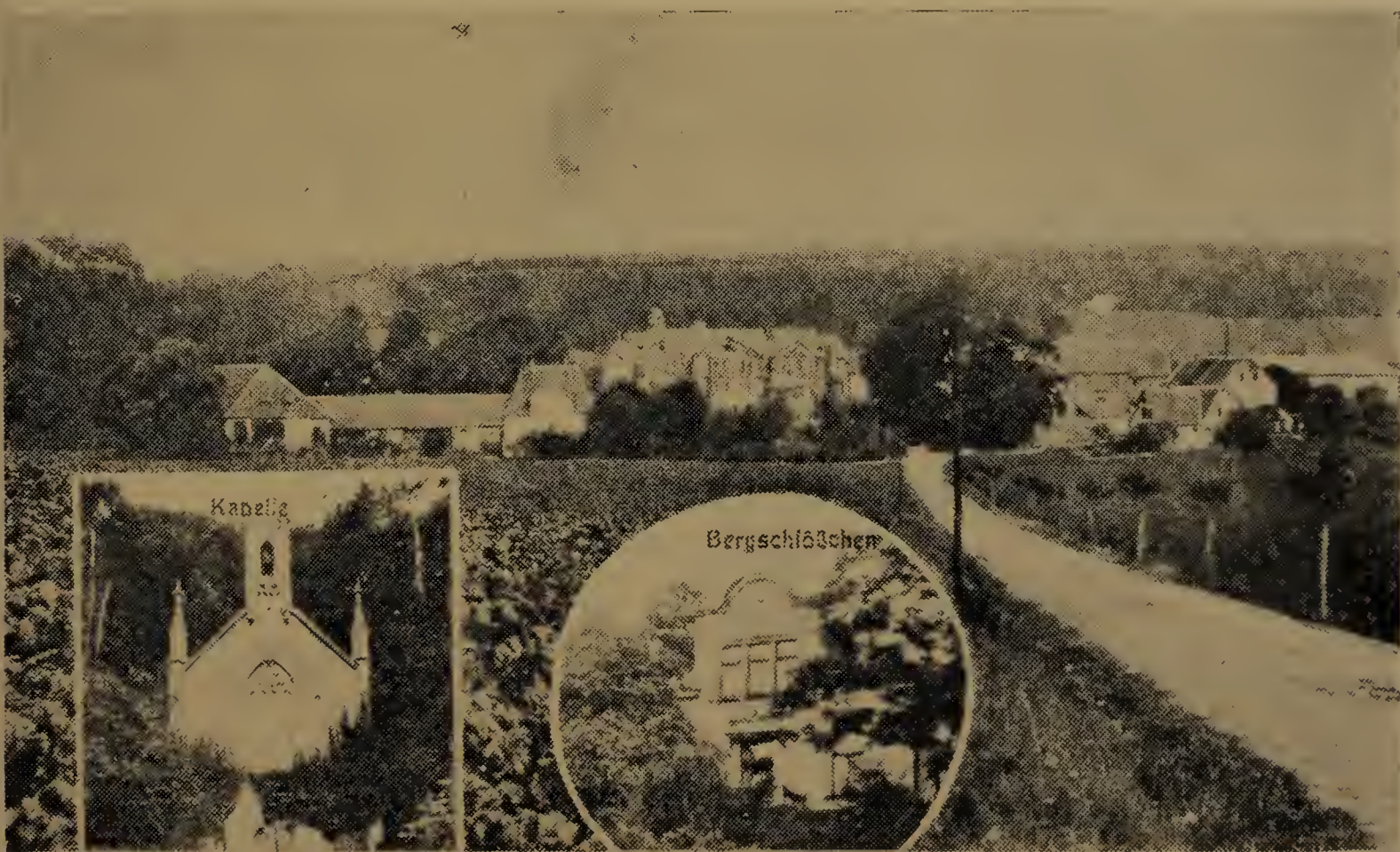


of two noble Christian families: Schaumloeffel and Scheffer to establish a private school at Merxhausen. Here at Merxhausen all the children of Vater and Mutter Staehling were born.



*House in background is the old schoolhouse which at the same time was the residence of the teacher, the birthplace of all children of Vater and Mutter Staehling.*

In the fall of the year 1881 Vater Staehling accepted a position as teacher at the private school of Herr Baron Otto von der Malsburg, Elmarshausen, county of Wolfhagen. A beautiful residence which had been erected for the mother of the Baron, who, however, departed life shortly before the building was completed, was assigned to Vater and Mutter and their children still at home. The Villa stands on a hill at the edge of the forest. Since Vater Staehling was a lover of nature, the beauty of nature reminding him of the goodness of God aided him in forgetting the wickedness of man. His experiences at Merxhausen and at Elmarshausen and later in the U.S.A. were to him a fulfillment of the Lord's promise, Matth. 19:29: Everyone that hath forsaken house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or child, or lands, *for my name's sake* shall receive one hundred-fold and shall inherit everlasting life."



*Last residence in the German homeland, located on a hill overlooking the old castle which was completed in 1471.*



All those of the Staehling family who have seen Elmarshausen and its beautiful surrounding landscape cannot do otherwise but keep in loving and grateful remembrance what the truly noble Herr Baron and his kind-hearted wife have done for our parents during their last years in the German homeland.

The sainted Vater Staehling placed great emphasis on the fact that children of God must be guided by God as David so plainly states: "He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake." When his work at Elmarshausen was completed and when six of his nine children were residing in America, he was inwardly convinced that it was God's will that he should also emigrate to America. Vater and Mutter Staehling, accompanied by their three youngest children, landed in New York in the early days of March, 1887. From 1887 to 1894 they made their home at Waverly, where two daughters resided, being married to members of the faculty of Wartburg College. When Wartburg College was moved to Clinton, Iowa, in 1894, Vater and Mutter Staehling made their permanent home with their daughter, Elisabeth, whose husband was Professor Herman Kuhlmann. Here the aged parents received most devoted and loving care, that filial love can bestow upon dear parents. The writer of this folder cannot help but quote a passage of Holy Scriptures: "Mark the perfect man and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace!" Ps. 37:37.

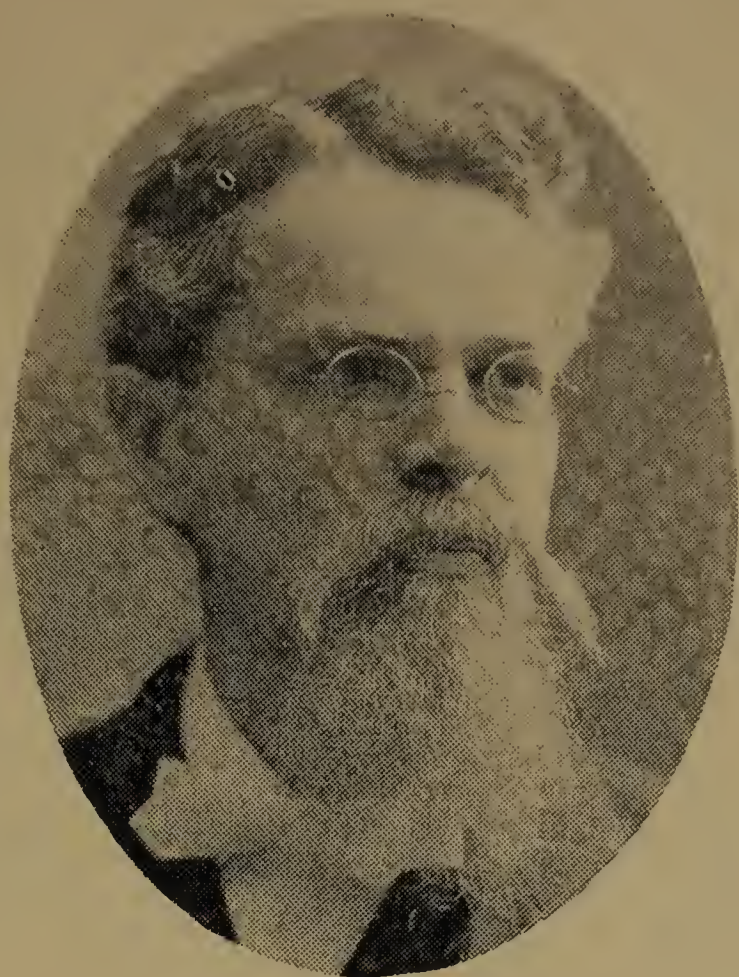
The fellowship with the three daughters and their families living in close neighborhood made the evening of the lives of Vater and Mutter Staehling most pleasant and peaceful. The older children of the families of Otto Kraushaar, John Fritschel, and Herman Kuhlmann learned to know and love the old grandparents. The fellowship with his devoted son-in-law, Otto Kraushaar, who had also come from Hesse-Cassel and had gone through similar experiences as Vater Staehling, made life most agreeable and peaceful for him. A few verses from the pen of his dear son-in-law, Otto Kraushaar, will reveal the innermost feeling of Vater Staehling being at peace. The translation of these verses has been kindly rendered by another son-in-law, Herman Brueckner, of Hebron, Nebraska.

"I am at home. My dear ones show me  
This happy news a hundredfold,  
Within their hearts I find remaining  
What gladdened me in days of old.  
Faith, hope and love in them prevail,  
Those precious gifts that ne'er shall fail."

"I am at home, and must not sorrow  
Because of what seemed lost to me.  
I am at home, and dare not query:  
Why must I here a stranger be?  
Faith, hope and love, all unsubdued,  
Have here my own dear home renewed."

The Rev. L. Seehase, who conducted the funeral service for Vater Staehling, who had departed life April 2, 1898, had chosen for his sermon text: Luke 2:29: "Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation." In the obituary read, the statement was made by the pastor that he had seldom, if ever, known a Christian to whom one may so aptly apply the words of our Saviour: John 1:47: "Behold an Israelite, indeed, in whom there is no guile."





*Otto Kraushaar, beloved son-in-law of Vater and Mutter Staehling. He is the only one of the first generation in America that departed life, April 11, 1918.*

### **Remarks**

**S**INCE all the children of Vater and Mutter Staehling are residing in America, the only nearest relations in the German homeland are cousins and their children. In our day of extensive traveling, it might prove interesting and be of some good purpose to know the names and addresses of some of these relatives. The writer of this folder is willing to give all the information possible to those interested in a trip to Germany.

Those of our family group who visited the German homeland in recent years are Amelie Staehling, nee Stamm and her son, August, in 1925. Will. Kraushaar and wife, Annetta, also in 1925, and Emilie Staehling in 1933.

A few names and addresses are here given of those relatives with whom a correspondence has been maintained up to the present time:

1. Aug. Gross, Schlierbach, Kr. Fritzlar, Hesse-Cassel, Germany.
2. Heinr. Priester, Heskem, Kr. Marburg, Hesse-Cassel, Germany.
3. Theo. Schaumloeffel, Merxhausen, Kr. Wolfhagen, Hesse-Cassel, Germany.
4. Frau Pfr. Emilie Schuchardt, Gerthrudenstift, Grossenritte, Bez, Cassel, Ger.
5. Frl. Minni & Lina Clasing, Horst-Wessel Str. 108, Bielefeld, Germany.
6. Pfarrer Wilh. Schmidt, Melsungen, Hesse-Cassel, Germany.

It might be of interest to know that one of the first cousins of the children of Mutter Staehling resides in the city now in the limelight of world events, namely, in the free city of Danzig. His name is Aug. Clasing. Two sons of his reside in New York City.

Relatives residing in the U.S.A. are the following:

1. Henry Gross, Eldorado, Iowa.
2. Bern. and Fred Schuchardt, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
3. Rev. Geo. Schuchardt, Fresno, California.
4. Gottlieb, C. L. Schuchardt, Brooklake Park, Madison, N. J.





*Vater and Mutter Staehling and their nine children. Picture was taken in 1890 at Waverly, Iowa. Since the oldest brothers left Germany in the same year that their youngest sister was born, it is the first time that the whole family was together.*

Since all the nine children of Vater and Mutter Staehling were born at Merxhausen, Germany, there is no need of a special mention of the place of birth in each case. Since all members of the family group have had an elementary school training, a special mention of this is not needed in each case.



*Lion Coat of Arms*

**T**HIS coat of arms emblem of Hesse-Cassel was affixed to the Baptismal certificate of Vater Staehling. A Baptismal certificate issued by a state church constituted at the same time a legal birth certificate.

The seven generations of ancestors of the Staehling family in the German homeland are here listed. The following villages are mentioned in connection with the history of these ancestors: Loshausen, Nieder-Grenzebach, Schrecksbach, Ottrau, Allendorf and Schlierbach. Although the dates of births, marriages, deaths of both husbands and wives are all on hand, only the most necessary items are mentioned in ref-



erence to the history of these forefathers. The first four ancestors lived at Loshausen, the last three were residing at Allendorf and Schlierbach. The other villages mentioned are the towns where some of the wives lived before their marriage.

I.

*Adam Staehling*, married to *Catherina Weidmann* in 1632. He was born in 1598 and died in 1676. Text of funeral sermon: Ps. 116:7. Age: 78 years.

II.

*Johannes Staehling*, married to *Barbara Doerbecker* in 1668. He was born in 1644 and died in 1715. Age: 71 years, 9 months, 24 days.

III.

*Christoph Staehling*, married to *Anna Catherina Mohr* in 1720. He was born in 1679 and died 1749. Age: 70 years, 9 months and 14 days.

IV.

*Johann George Staehling*, no name of wife is given nor year of marriage. It must have been recorded in another parish. He was born in 1721 and died in 1793. Age: 71 years 9 months and 25 days. (See No. II)

V.

*Heinrich Staehling*, married to *Susanne Schenk* in 1771. He was born in 1747 and died in 1833. Age: 86 years, 4 months and 7 days.

VI.

*Johan Conrad Staehling*, married to *Anna Catherina Jungclaus* in 1811. He was born in 1778 and died in 1853. Age: 76 years and 6 months.

VII

*Johann George Staehling*, married to *Emilie Christiane Clasing*, August 6, 1854, at Hemeringen, Hanover. He was born January 8, 1823, at Allendorf, was baptized on January 19, 1823, he attended teachers' Seminary at Homberg and became a teacher of the "Volkschule." He came to America in 1887 and died at Clinton, Iowa, in 1899, April 26. Age: 76 years, 3 months and 18 days.



## THE STAEHLING FAMILY TREE, TRANSPLANTED INTO AMERICAN SOIL, BRANCHES OUT

### First Generation of the Staehling Family in the United States

#### 1. FREDERICK HENRY STAEHLING

Frederick Henry Staehling was born July 30, 1855. He attended college and received pre-theological training in the Mission Institute at Melsungen, Germany and also took a course in theology at Wartburg Seminary, Mendota, Ill. Henry Staehling was married to *Flora A. Karle* of Bryan, Ohio, on November 21, 1882. He served in the ministry as pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa and other states for twenty-six years. In the later years of his life he gave piano lessons and was a salesman for the Fuchr and Stemmer Piano Company of Chicago. His wife, *Flora A. Karle*, was born October 8, 1864, and departed this life June 10, 1936, at the age of 71 years, 8 months and 2 days. Address: Somonauk, Illinois.

CHILDREN—*George* + 1934, *Emma, Karle, Gretchen* + 1921.

## 2. HELWIG STAEHLING

Helwig Staehling was born May 24, 1857. He attended college and pre-theological training at the Mission Institute at Melsungen, Germany, and also took a course at the Wartburg Seminary of Mendota, Illinois. Helwig Staehling was married to Augusta D. Guenther on August 21, 1878. He served in the ministry as pastor of the former Lutheran Iowa Synod for over 52 years and celebrated the 50th anniversary of his ordination on June 21, 1927. His first charge was at Melvin, Illinois, where he stayed 9 years, and for 43 years he was pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church of Danforth, Illinois. He was instrumental in organizing congregations in Ford, Livingston, McLean and Iroquis Counties. His wife, Augusta D. Guenther, was born March 22, 1860, at Joliet, Illinois. Since they were married in 1878, in 1938 they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary August 21. Address: 420 Wilcox Street, Joliet, Ill.

CHILDREN—*Fr. H. George* + 1881, *Mary, Charles, Henry, Edward, Frederick, Herman, Walter, Augusta, Oscar.*

## 3. FREDERICK WILLIAM STAEHLING

Frederick William Staehling was born Sylvester Eve., December 30, 1860. He is not the third, but the fourth son of Vater and Mutter Staehling. One son, Conrad Ludwig, was born March 14, 1859, but died when not quite two years old on January 31, 1861. Frederick Staehling followed up the same course of education as his two brothers, Henry and Helwig, by attending the Mission Institute at Melsungen, Germany. When 20 years of age, in 1880, he entered the Wartburg Seminary at Mendota, Illinois. Since ministers were greatly needed in those days of continuous immigration to America, he was ordained in 1881 and became assistant pastor of Rev. G. Hueter, Custar, Ohio, and later was assistant to his brother, Helwig, of Melvin, Illinois. For four years he served a congregation at Anchor, Illinois, and in 1887 he became afflicted with bilious fever which weakened his health and made the strenuous work of a minister impossible for him. He then took up the work of bookbinding, at which he became quite an expert. He has made his home with his sister, Marie Kraushaar, for nearly twenty years. Address: 709 Fourth Ave., N.W., Waverly, Iowa.

## 4. JOHANNES OTTO STAEHLING

J. Otto Staehling was born May 24, 1863. He also took the same course of study as his brothers by attending the college and taking the pre-theological training at the Mission Institute at Melsungen, Germany. He came to America with his brother, Frederick, and after two years of study at the Wartburg Seminary at Mendota, Illinois, he was ordained into the ministry and served as pastor of the former Iowa Synod for 55 years, at Lizard, Iowa; Harmony, Minnesota; Richfield, Iowa; and for the longest period at Myrtle, Minnesota. In 1933 he celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination. He was married to Anna Marie Ide on April 15, 1891. His wife, Anna Maria Ide, was born September 25, 1868, at Riga, Michigan. She was the daughter of Rev. C. Ide of that city. Address: Albert Lea, Minnesota.

CHILDREN—*Emilie, Elisabeth, Conrad, Walter, Barbara, Ida, Gustav, Otto.*

## 5. MARIE STAEHLING

Marie Staehling was born February 20, 1865. On April 15, 1884, she was married to Otto Karushaar, Professor and later Director of Wartburg College at Waverly and Clinton, Iowa. Otto Kraushaar was born at Niederaula, Hesse-Cassel, Germany, on November 21, 1857. He departed life on April 11, 1918, at the age of 60 years, 4 months and 21 days. His picture was inserted into the family folder because he is the first one of the first generation of our family group who has departed life. The



late Dr. Emil H. Rausch, editor of the "Lutheran Herald," official church paper of the former Iowa Synod, makes the following statement in the obituary published in the April, 1918, edition of the aforementioned "Lutheran Herald": "Director Kraushaar stands forth before the mind's eye of all who knew him as a splendid type of Christian manhood, a generous character, coupling a keen intellect and vast learning with child-like piety. He was not a clergyman, indeed his principal training had been along the lines of jurisprudence and philology; yet he was also well at home in the field of theology and this for him was not a matter of theory, but of life." The funeral text chosen by the dear departed one himself was "Before I was afflicted, I went astray, but now have I kept Thy word." Ps. 119:67. Requiescat in pace! Address of Marie Kraushaar (Staehling). 7099 Fourth Avenue, N. W., Waverly, Iowa.

#### 6. IDA DOROTHEA EMILIE STAEHLING

Ida Staehling was born February 13, 1867. On August 21, 1889, she was married to Carl August Johannes Fritschel. Her husband, John Fritschel, was born June 24, 1863, at Strawberry Point, Iowa. He was privileged to receive a most thorough classical education in both the German and English languages. He attended Wartburg Academy, College and Seminary, and Thiel College at Grenfield, Pennsylvania. He also spent two years abroad at the famous German Universities of Leipzig and Erlangen. He was able to celebrate the golden jubilee of his ordination to the ministry and also of being professor at Wartburg College. On August 21, 1939, Hans and Ida Fritschel celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. We extend to them "Unsere allerherzlichsten Glueckwuensche fuer einen lichtvollen und gesegneten Lebens-abend! Address: 1950 10th Avenue South, Clinton, Iowa.

CHILDREN—*Fritz* + 1915, *Else*, *Walter*, *Margarete*, *Hans* + 1927.

#### 7. ELISABETH ANNA SOPHIE STAEHLING

Elisabeth Staehling was born October 8, 1868. On December 29, 1891, she was married to Herman Heinrich Adam Kuhlmann. Her husband, Herman Kuhlmann, was born December 20, 1863. He came to this country when a young man in 1883 and graduated from Wartburg College in 1886 and Wartburg Seminary in 1889. He filled the position of assistant professor for two years, and then was called as a regular professor of Wartburg College, Waverly, and later Clinton, Iowa. He served the congregation at Elvira, near Clinton, and was ordained to the ministry in 1898. In 1919 he accepted a call to become the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church near Peoria, Illinois. Since 1927 he is serving St. John's Lutheran Church at Buck Creek, near Sumner, Iowa. A few years ago his son, Gerhard, was called as Pastor of St. John's Church and father Kuhlmann is still assisting him in the work to the best of his ability. Sister Elisabeth and her good husband made Vater and Mutter Staehling's life's evening very pleasant and may the evening of their lives be likewise bathed in the sunshine of God's blessing. Address: Sumner, Iowa, R.R. 2.

CHILDREN—*Margaretha*, *John*, *Otto*, *Herman J.*, *Frank*, *Ernest*, *Gerhard*, *George*

#### 8. WILHELM FRIEDRICH ERNST STAEHLING

William Staehling was born November 23, 1872, and came to this country at the age of 14. He attended confirmation class instruction together with his sister, Dorothea, soon after their parents had made their home in Waverly in 1887. Confirmation took place on Palm Sunday, 1888. Rev. F. Zimmermann was then pastor of St. Paul's Church. After finishing the prescribed course of study for the ministry by graduating from Wartburg College and Wartburg Seminary, he attended the Lake View English Lutheran Seminary near Lincoln Park, Chicago, now at Maywood, Illinois. Since the time of his ordination in 1895 William Staehling served congregations at Rosendale, Sheboygan, Oconto Falls and Waupun, Wisconsin. During the

time of his pastorate he was instrumental in organizing congregations at Rogersville, Fond du Lac and Sheboygan, Wisconsin. On November 8, 1906, he was married to Amelie Friedrike Louise Francisca Stamm. His wife, Amelie Stamm, was born November 28, 1887, at Westfield, New Jersey. When 4 years old her parents returned to Germany where she spent her childhood and youth. At the age of 18 she came to America and resided at Davenport, Iowa, before her marriage. Address: 525 West Main Street, Waupun, Wisconsin.

CHILDREN—*Irma, Hellwig, William S., Johanna, Ernst, August.*

#### 9. DOROTHEA LOUISE EMILIE STAEHLING

Dorothea Staehling was born June 26, 1874. She came to America at the age of 12 and was confirmed with her brother, William, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Waverly, Iowa, in 1888. Beside her elementary school training she received special lessons in modern languages, French and English, while still in Germany. She took a course in Shorthand and Bookkeeping in Clinton, Iowa, to fit herself for office work. For ten years before her marriage she kept house for her brother, William, and assisted him in his work by teaching and also directing the choir. On January 1, 1922, she was married to Hermann Heinrich Moritz Brueckner. Her husband, Herman Brueckner, was born March 11, 1866, at Grundy County, Iowa. He had a very thorough and manifold education. He attended parochial and public schools, had private courses in Latin and Greek, and was a student in three universities, and was granted the D.D. degree by Wartburg Seminary in 1938. At present Herman Brueckner is professor at the college and academy in Hebron, Nebraska. Before 1926 he served congregations in Streator, Illinois; Paducah, Kentucky; Fond du Lac, Wisconsin; Alpena, Michigan, and Iowa City, Iowa. Brother-in-law Herman Brueckner has made himself a name by his many and well rendered translations of classical church hymns from the German into the English language. Address: 916 Union Avenue, Hebron, Nebraska.

## SECOND GENERATION OF THE STAEHLING FAMILY IN THE U.S.A.—THE GRANDCHILDREN OF VATER AND MUTTER

### STAEHLING. (All American born)

GROUP A. (See first generation, No. 1)

#### 1. GEORGE AUGUST FREDERICK STAEHLING

George Staehling was born on August 22, 1883, at Ashgrove, Illinois. He attended Wartburg College at Clinton, Iowa, for one year, for several years he was employed as a druggist in Chicago and later became a Real Estate Agent. On May 25, 1912, he was married to Anna Laurelie Tebbens of Chicago, Illinois. He died September 6, 1934, at the age of 51 years and 14 days. His wife, Anna L. Tebbens, was born May 6, 1881, at Chicago, Illinois. She took a course in shorthand and bookkeeping and now holds a position as County Librarian at Paw Paw, Michigan. Her address is: Paw, Paw, Michigan.

CHILDREN—*George H., Annetta, Christopher.*

#### 2. EMMA EMILIE MATHILDA STAEHLING

Emma Staehling Seitzinger was born April 16, 1885, at Ashgrove, Illinois. She graduated from High School and was engaged as teacher of a rural school before her marriage. On October 5, 1904, she was married to Albert H. Seitzinger. Her husband, Albert Seitzinger, was born February 14, 1881, at Strausston, Berks County,



Pennsylvania. For a number of years he was engaged in farming, but his present occupation is butcher and meat cutter in a cold storage locker plant. Address: Somo-nauk, Illinois.

CHILDREN—*Dorothy, Paul, Gretchen.*

3. KARLE EDWARD HELLWIG STAEHLING

Karle Staehling was born May 27, 1888, at Ashgrove, Illinois. For some time he was engaged as cashier in a bank for which position he was qualified by having taken a business training. On January 25, 1916, he was married to Kathryn Florence Waltz of Delta, Ohio. At the present time he is doing office work in a Handbook office. His wife, Kathryn Waltz, was born October 2, 1894, at Delta, Ohio. After graduation from high school she attended the Chicago University for two years. Before her marriage she was engaged in teaching and at the present time holds a position as Librarian. Address: Chicago, Illinois.

CHILDREN—*Mary Kathryn, Edward Chester.*

4. MARGARETTA ELISABETH STAEHLING

Gretchen Staehling was born July 11, 1891, at Somonauk, Illinois. She graduated from Hyde Park High School, Chicago, Illinois. On April 20, 1914, she was married to Herbert List of Chicago. She departed this life September 27, 1921, at the age of 30 years, 2 months and 16 days. Her husband, Herbert List, was born December 7, 1886, at Waverly, Iowa. He attended Metropolitan Business College and Chicago Law School. At present he is office manager of the H. M. Billsby & Company of Chicago. Address: 231 South La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois.

CHILDREN—*Kathryn.*

GROUP B. (See first generation No. 2)

1. MARIE EMILIE STAEHLING

Marie Staehling was born November 14, 1881, at Melvin, Ford County, Illinois. She qualified herself for teaching piano by taking a Teachers' Preparatory Course and receiving a piano teacher's certificate. For many years she served as organist of St. John's Lutheran Church of Danforth, Illinois. On February 8, 1923, she was married to Henry Smid of Danforth, Illinois. Her husband, Henry Smid, was born March 7, 1878, at Grosz-Midlun, County of Emden, Ostfriesland, Germany. He took a course in business training and is at present operating a general store at Joliet, Illinois. Address: 1300 North Raynor Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

2. CHARLES CHRISTIAN STAEHLING

Charles Staehling was born December 4, 1883, at Melvin, Illinois. He attended High School and Commercial School at Kankakee, Illinois. He received his Ph.D. at the University of Chicago, M.S. at the University of California, and C.P.A. State of California. He is now a professor at the University of California, Berkeley, California. On June 24, 1912, he was married to Ethel Landis Gilmore. His wife, Ethel Gilmore, was born June 19, 1886, at Beaver City, Furnace County, Nebraska. She attended high school, Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa; State Normal at Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Sargent's School of Physical Training, Boston, Massachusetts, and received her B.A. at the University of California, Berkeley, California.

CHILDREN—*Donna Marie, Dorothy Ann.*

3. HENRY FERDINAND STAEHLING

Henry Staehling was born December 3, 1885, at Melvin, Illinois. He attended Onarga Seminary and Illinois Wesleyan University. On September 26, 1912, he was married to Lillian Becker in Chicago, Illinois. His present occupation is that of Vice President and General Manager of Sterling Motors' Corporation, Brooklyn, New York.

His wife, Lillian Becker, was born October 5, 1888, at Two Rivers, Wisconsin, where she also received her high school education. Address: 372 Prospect Street, South Orange, N. J.

CHILDREN—*Henry Hellwig.*

#### 4. EDWIN HELLWIG STAEHLING

Edwin Staehling was born April 30, 1888, at Danforth, Illinois. He attended Grand Prairie Seminary at Onarga, Illinois. On June 26, 1912, he was married to Hazel Claire Martin, at Madison, Wisconsin. His wife, Hazel Martin, was born June 26, 1888, at Stevens Point, Wisconsin, and she attended the State Teachers' College of that city. Edwin Staehling is at present engaged in the work of a salesman. Address: Homewood, Illinois, R. 49.

CHILDREN—*Jean, Edwin Hal, David Martin.*

#### 5. FREDERICK GEORGE STAEHLING

Fred Staehling was born June 30, 1890, at Danforth, Illinois. He graduated from High School at Kankakee, Illinois, and is now engaged as a salesman. He was married on May 29, 1912, to Louise Pearle Pinckard. His wife, Pearle Pinckard, was born June 19, 1891, at Kankakee, Illinois. She also attended Kankakee High School and Finishing School at Rock Island, Illinois. Address: 1115 Bryan Avenue, Joliet, Ill.

CHILDREN—*Eugene, Mary Louise, John.*

#### 6. HERMAN OTTO STAEHLING

Herman Staehling was born December 8, 1892, at Danforth, Illinois. He attended High School and Wartburg College and Seminary. At present he is Vice President and General Manager of Sterling Motors Corporation, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. On February 17, 1920, he was married to Clara E. Sass of Dubuque, Iowa. His wife, Clara Sass, was born October 14, 1892, at Dubuque, Iowa. She received special training in music—piano and vocal. Address: 508 Prescott Road, Merion, Pennsylvania.

CHILDREN—*Barbara, Joan.*

#### 7. WALTER WILLIAM STAEHLING

Walter Staehling was born March 7, 1895, at Danforth, Illinois. He attended high school and also took a two years' course at Wartburg College, Clinton, Iowa. His occupation is that of sales supervisor. On November 23, 1918, he was married to Lillian Axcelia Carlson of Chicago, Illinois. His wife, Lillian Axcelia Carlson, was born July 6, 1895, at Chicago, Illinois. Here she attended High School and Business School. Address: 418 North Nicholson St., Joliet, Illinois.

CHILDREN—*Shirley Lillian, Marilyn Edith.*

#### 8. AUGUSTA DAURETTE STAEHLING

Augusta Staehling was born October 10, 1897, at Danforth, Illinois. She graduated from High School, attended Normal School and for two years was a student at the University. On June 27, 1922, she was united in marriage to Herbert G. Schreiter. Her husband, Herbert Schreiter, was born September 10, 1892, at Des Moines, Iowa. He received a thorough education for his calling as a science teacher and Ed. Advisor CCC Camp at the Universities of Wisconsin (B.A.); of Chicago (M.A.), and did graduate work at the University of California. Address: Box 404, R.R. 1, Warrenton, Oregon.

CHILDREN—*Naomi D., Paul Herbert, Mary.*



## 9. OSCAR JOHN STAEHLING

Oscar Staehling was born August 29, 1900, at Danforth, Illinois. He attended High school and Bradley Polytechnic. At present he is engaged as Automotive Jobber Salesman. On November 29, 1928, he was married to Ellen Marie Sandell. His wife, Ellen Sandell, was born July 19, 1903, at Joliet, Illinois, where she graduated from High School. Address: 1120 Loral Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

GROUP C. (See first generation No. 4)

## 1. EMILIE STAEHLING

Emilie Staehling was born November 3, 1892, at Lizard, Pocohontas County, Iowa. She is a graduate of a two years' course at the Teachers' College of Mankato, Minnesota, and has also studied at the University of Minnesota. She is at present engaged as public school teacher in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Address: 2300 Nicolet Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.

## 2. ELISABETH STAEHLING

Elisabeth Staehling was born January 5, 1894, at Lizard, Iowa. She took a course in business training at Wartburg College and is employed in an office at Waverly, Iowa. Address: Waverly, Iowa.

## 3. CONRAD GEORGE STAEHLING

Conrad Staehling was born February 23, 1896, at Harmony, Fillmore County, Minnesota. He received his B.A. at the University of Iowa and is engaged as public school teacher in Mankato, Minnesota. On June 10, 1921, he was married to Rose Ellen Stage. His wife, Rose Ellen Stage, was born January 11, 1895, at Eldora, Hardin County, Iowa. She studied two years at Ellsworth College, Iowa Falls, Iowa. Address: 1205 North 5th Street, Mankato, Minnesota.

CHILDREN—*Richard George, Ruth Ellen.*

## 4. WALTER GOTTLIEB STAEHLING

Walter Staehling was born April 13, 1898, at Harmony, Minnesota. He studied engineering at the University of Iowa and is now engaged in that type of work. On August 8, 1937, he was married to Gertrude M. Lang. His wife, Gertrude Lang, was born May 14, 1907, at Bay City, Michigan. She attended State Teachers' College at Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. Address: 1707 Third Street, Jackson, Michigan.

## 5. BARBARA MAGDALENA STAEHLING

Barbara Staehling was born April 5, 1901, at Hawkeye, Fayette County, Iowa. She attended Ellsworth College, Iowa Falls; and received her B.A. degree from State Teachers' College at Cedar Falls, Iowa. At the present time she is teacher of mathematics in Junior High School at Greene, Iowa.

## 6. IDA JOHANNA STAEHLING

Ida Staehling was born October 5, 1905, at Hawkeye, Iowa. She attended the University of Minnesota and received her B.S. degree. At the present time she is teacher of primary grades at Rushford, Minnesota. Address: Rushford, Minnesota.

## 7. GUSTAVE LORENZ STAEHLING

Gustave Staehling was born April 26, 1910, at Richfield, Iowa. He attended the College of Engineering at the University of Iowa for five years and is now engineer at the Power Plant of Central States Electric Company. On August 4, 1937, he was married to Esther Helen Studier. His wife, Esther Studier, was born February 7, 1916, at Leola, McPherson County, South Dakota. She is a graduate of Elk River High School. Address: 809 Fremont Street, Iowa Falls, Iowa.

CHILDREN—*Robert John.*

#### 8. OTTO CARL STAEHLING

Otto Carl Staehling was born May 4, 1913, at Myrtle, Minnesota. He received his B.A. degree from Wartburg College and continued the study of theology for three years at the Wartburg Seminary at Dubuque, Iowa. He is now pastor of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Myrtle, Minnesota. On August 21, 1938, he was married to Ruth Clara Studier. His wife, Ruth Studier, was born November 16, 1919, at Leola, South Dakota. She is a graduate of the Albert Lea, (Minnesota), High School.

GROUP D. (See first generation No. 5)

#### 1. MATHILDE MARGARET EMILIE KRAUSHAAR

Mathilde Kraushaar was born February 20, 1885, at Mendota, Illinois. She attended Wartburg College at Clinton, Iowa. On December 29, 1910, she was married to Friedrich Wilhelm Bernhard Krauss. Her husband, Friedrich Krauss, was born April 24, 1877, at Nuernberg, Bavaria, Germany. His education consisted of Humanistic Gymnasium (College) and Mission Institute at Neuendettelsau, Germany; also Chicago Seminary (now Maywood). He is at present pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran Church at Stuttgart, Kansas. Address: Stuttgart, Phillips County, Kansas.

CHILDREN—*Marie L., Karl F., Otto J., Gertrude E., Robert G., Eugene P.*

#### 2. JOHN OTTO FRIDOLIN KRAUSHAAR

Fridolin Kraushaar was born May 22, 1886, at Waverly, Iowa. He received his B.A. from Wartburg College and his M.D. from the State University of Iowa. His profession is that of physician and surgeon. On February 1, 1911, he was married to Emma Martha Rehfeld. His wife, Emma Rehfeld, was born October 28, 1889, at Warner, Brown County, South Dakota. She attended Northern State Teachers' College and Aberdeen Business College. Address: 1002 N. Main Street, Aberdeen, South Dakota.

CHILDREN—*Esther, Elinor, Otto.*

#### 3. WILLIAM FREDERICK KRAUSHAAR

William Kraushaar was born November 3, 1887, at Waverly, Iowa. He attended Wartburg College where he received his B.A., Wartburg Seminary, M.A. at the University of Minnesota, and Texas University. He is president of Texas Lutheran College. On September 5, 1911, he was married to Anneta Emma Meyer. His wife, Anneta Meyer, was born January 7, 1889, at Arcadia, Carol County, Iowa. She attended High School and Red Wing Ladies' Seminary. Address: Seguin, Texas.

CHILDREN—*Ruth, Dorothy, Gretchen.*

#### 4. IDA KRAUSHAAR

Ida Kraushaar was born April 13, 1889, at Waverly, Iowa. She attended High School at Clinton, Iowa, and received her B.A. from Iowa State University. On August 12, 1922, she was married to John Bowen, of Montrose, Iowa. Her husband, John Bowen, was born on January 8, 1893, at Montrose, Iowa. He attended High School and Business College and is at the present time with the Trust Bank, Los Angeles, California. Address: 225 Carlson Road, Beverly Hills, California.

CHILDREN—*Standley, John, Elinor.*

#### 5. DOROTHEA KRAUSHAAR

Dorothea Kraushaar was born February 12, 1892, at Waverly, Iowa. She attended the Chicago Conservatory of Music and received her B.S. in Education at Ohio State University. Address: 709 Fourth Avenue, Waverly, Iowa.



6. RUDOLPH WILLIAM KRAUSHAAR

Rudolph Kraushaar was born June 4, 1893, at Waverly, Iowa. He received his B.A. at Aberdeen Normal College and M.A. at University of Minnesota. He is professor of Education at Augustana College, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. On August 24, 1921, he was married to Elma Christine Anderson. His wife, Elma Anderson, was born March 26, 1893, at Tracy, Minnesota. She attended Augustana College and taught school before her marriage. Rudolph Kraushaar is a member of the American Legion and of the National Educational Association.

CHILDREN—*Kristi Marie, Eda Ruth, Rolf Otto, John P.*

7. AMALIE FLORA PAULINA KRAUSHAAR

Amalie Kraushaar was born May 6, 1895, at Clinton, Iowa. She attended Iowa State University where she received her M.A. and Ph.D. at Ohio State University. She lectures on child psychology. On September 13, 1924, she was married to George Irving Nelson. Her husband, George Nelson, was born July 17, 1895, at Cherokee, Iowa. He received his B.S. at Iowa State College and M.D. at University of Iowa. He is a specialist of internal medicine of the Ohio State University's Medical Department and also a physician. Address: 340 Arden Road, Columbus, Ohio.

CHILDREN—*Margaret Jane, Mollie.*

8. ELLA ELIZABETH FRIEDERICKE AUGUSTA KRAUSHAAR

Ella Kraushaar was born November 18, 1898, at Clinton, Iowa. She attended Wartburg College at Waverly, Iowa, as well as the University of Iowa. On August 17, 1926, she was married to Sam Joseph Hansen, at Waverly, Iowa. Her husband, Sam Hansen, was born December 27, 1892, at Morris, Illinois. He is a graduate of St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota. He is at present the Manager of the Minnesota Teachers' Inc. Address: 3709 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

CHILDREN—*Gretchen, John F.*

9. OTTO FRIDOLIN KRAUSHAAR

Otto Kraushaar was born November 19, 1901, at Clinton, Iowa. He attended Iowa State University where he received his B.A.; M.A. and Ph.D. at Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts. He is professor of Philosophy at Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts. On November 26, 1926, he was married to Maxine McDonald. His wife, Maxine McDonald, was born October 30, 1908, at Burt, Iowa. She graduated from High School at Burt, Iowa, and also attended Coeducational College at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Address: 39 High Street, Northampton, Massachusetts.

CHILDREN—*Jo Anne*

GROUP E. (See first generation No. 6)

1. FRITZ ERNST OTTO FRITSCHER

Fritz Fritschel was born on June 11, 1890, at Waverly, Iowa. He attended Wartburg Academy, College and Seminary, and one year at the University of Leipzig, Germany. He was pastor at Midway, Minnesota, for a very short time. He departed life on September 1, 1915, at the age of 25 years, 2 months and 20 days. Rev. 14:13.

2. ELSE JULIA FRITSCHER

Else Fritschel was born August 13, 1891, at Waverly, Iowa. Here she received a High School education and also private instruction in piano. On August 21, 1913, she was married to August W. Engelbrecht. Her husband, August Engelbrecht, was

born October 11, 1889, at Chicago, Illinois. He attended High School, Wartburg College and Seminary, and is now pastor of St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church at Mendota, Illinois. Address: 609 10th Avenue, Mendota, Illinois.

CHILDREN—*August J., Alfred, Paulus, Edgar + 1937, Ruth, Walter.*

### 3. WALTER MAX FRITSCHER

Walter Fritschel was born April 25, 1893, at Waverly, Iowa. He attended Wartburg College and Seminary; received his M.A. at the Iowa State University and B.D. at Mount Airy Lutheran Seminary, Mount Airy, Pennsylvania. On September 1, 1921, he was married to Nanie Anna Baumgaertner. Nanie Baumgaertner, his wife, was born December 16, 1898, at St. Sebald near Strawberry Point, Iowa. She graduated from High School and attended college for one and one-half years. Walter Fritschel is now pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church at Charles City, Iowa.

CHILDREN—*Barbara Helene, Kathryn Annette.*

### 4. MARGARETE EMILIE MARIE FRITSCHER

Margarete Fritschel was born April 4, 1896, at Clinton, Iowa. She attended High School, took private music instructions and also completed a course at the Commercial School in Clinton. She was a teacher of grade school for seven years and now holds a stenographic position. Address: 1950 10th Avenue, S., Clinton, Iowa.

### 5. HANS HELLWIG FRITSCHER

Hans Fritschel was born May 24, 1899, at Clinton, Iowa. He attended Wartburg Academy, College and Seminary. He departed life March 26, 1927, at the age of 27 years, 10 months and 2 days. Rev. 2:10.

GROUP F. (See first generation No. 7)

### 1. EMILIE MARIA MARGARETHE KUHLMANN

Margaret Kuhlmann was born January 5, 1893, at Waverly, Iowa. On June 29, 1921, she was married to Arthur C. Proehl. Her husband, Arthur Carl Proehl, was born August 6, 1895, at Mendota, Illinois. He attended Wartburg College and Seminary and University of Wisconsin, and is now pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Iowa City, Iowa. Address: Iowa City, Iowa, No. 610 E. Bloomington Street.

CHILDREN—*Margareth, Arthur, Gertrude, Otto K.*

### 2. JOHANNES HEINRICH HELLWIG KUHLMANN

John Kuhlmann was born November 26, 1893, at Waverly, Iowa. He attended Wartburg College and the University of Iowa. He is now Associate Professor of Engineering at the University of Minnesota. On June 9, 1919, he was married to Thomasine Josephine Rosander. His wife, Thomasine Rosander, was born September 5, 1893, at Hesselholm, Sweden. She attended school in Sweden and also studied at the University of Minnesota. Address: 1770 Emerson Avenue, S., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

CHILDREN—*Eleanore, John H., Jr.*

### 3. OTTO F. KUHLMANN

Otto Kuhlmann was born December 9, 1894, at Clinton, Iowa. He attended Wartburg College and Seminary and received his M.A. from the University of Minnesota. He is assistant to the General Sales Manager of the Frigidaire Corporation, Dayton, Ohio. Address: Biltmore Hotel, Dayton, Ohio.



#### 4. HERMAN JOHN KUHLMANN

Herman Kuhlmann was born November 12, 1896, at Clinton, Iowa. He attended Wartburg College and Seminary as well as the Universities of Ohio, Chicago, Minnesota and Iowa. He is Professor of English at Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa. Before coming to Waverly he was pastor of a congregation in Ohio and also taught at the Junior College in Eureka, South Dakota, and Luther College in St. Paul, Minnesota. On June 14, 1928, he was married to Sarah Blanche Freyberg. His wife, Sarah Freyberg, was born May 2, 1901, at Goshen, Elkhart County, Indiana. She attended Goshen High School and Chicago Musical College. Address: 715 Third Avenue, N. W., Waverly, Iowa.

CHILDREN—*Mary Anna, Herman J., Jr.*

#### 5. FRIEDRICH HEINRICH FRANZ KUHLMANN

Friedrich Kuhlman was born May 16, 1898, at Clinton, Iowa. He attended Wartburg College and Seminary and received his M.A. at the University of Nebraska. His present occupation is that of an accountant. On August 25, 1925, he was married to Marie Hoeger of Clinton, Iowa. His wife, Marie Hoeger, was born August 2, 1903, at Sterling, Nebraska. Address: 4150 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln, Nebraska.

CHILDREN—*Frank Henry, Jr., Janet Marie.*

#### 6. ERNST AUGUST WILHELM KUHLMANN

Ernst Kuhlmann was born September 1, 1900, at Clinton, Iowa. He attended Wartburg College and the University of Illinois. He is a dentist in Chicago. On July 14, 1926, he was married to Anna Marie Hoeck. His wife, Anna Marie Hoeck, was born September 29, 1896, at Chicago, Illinois. Address: 4926 W. Washtenan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

CHILDREN—*Carol Ann.*

#### 7. GERHARD S. KUHLMANN

Gerhard Kuhlmann was born on April 11, 1902, at Clinton, Iowa. He attended Wartburg Academy, received his B.A. from Bradley Polytechnic Institute in 1924, graduated from Wartburg Seminary in 1927, received his M.A. from the University of Iowa in 1928 and Ph.D. in 1937. He was professor at Lutheran College in Eureka, South Dakota, and also at Texas Lutheran College in Seguin, at present he is pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, Buck Creek, Iowa. Address: Sumner, Iowa, R.R. 2.

#### 8. EBERHARD HEINRICH GEORG KUHLMANN

George Kuhlmann was born February 22, 1905, at Clinton, Iowa. He attended High School and Bradley Polytechnic Institute of Peoria, Illinois, also the University of Illinois and Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. On June 20, 1929, he was married to Meta Beata Gram. His wife, Meta Gram, was born July 28, 1899, at Cleveland, Ohio. She attended Oberlin College and Birmingham School, Pennsylvania. George Kuhlman is at present Sales Representative for the Lamp Department of the General Electric Company. Address: 29 Romney Road, Wheeling, West Virginia.

CHILDREN—*George H. Jr.*

GROUP G. (See first generation No. 8)

1. IRMA DOROTHEA ELISABETH STAEHLING

Irma Staehling was born November 28, 1907, at Sheboygan, Wisconsin. She is a graduate of Waupun High School and Also Miss Brown's Business College of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. At the present time she is doing general office work at Poch & Company, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Address: 1002 South 26th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

2. HELLWIG FRIEDRICH WILHELM HEINRICH STAEHLING

Hellwig Staehling was born September 23, 1909, at Sheboygan, Wisconsin. He is a graduate of Waupun High School and his present occupation is that of printer with J. Earl Fladeland Printing Company. Address: 525 W. Main Street, Waupun, Wisconsin.

3. WILLIAM SERVATIUS FRIDOLIN STAEHLING

William Staehling was born December 25, 1910, at Oconto Falls, Wisconsin. He attended Wartburg Academy at Clinton, Iowa, and also took a three-year Liberal Arts course at the University of Wisconsin. He is now teller and bookkeeper at the National Bank of Waupun. Address: 525 W. Main Street, Waupun, Wisconsin.

4. JOHANNA MARIE IDA STAEHLING

Johanna Staehling was born March 13, 1913, at Waupun, Wisconsin. She is a graduate of Waupun High School, Spencerian Business College of Milwaukee and Fountain City Business College of Fond du Lac. She is at present employed as Secretary to the President of Giddings & Lewis Machine Tool Company of Fond du Lac. Address: 57 6th Street, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

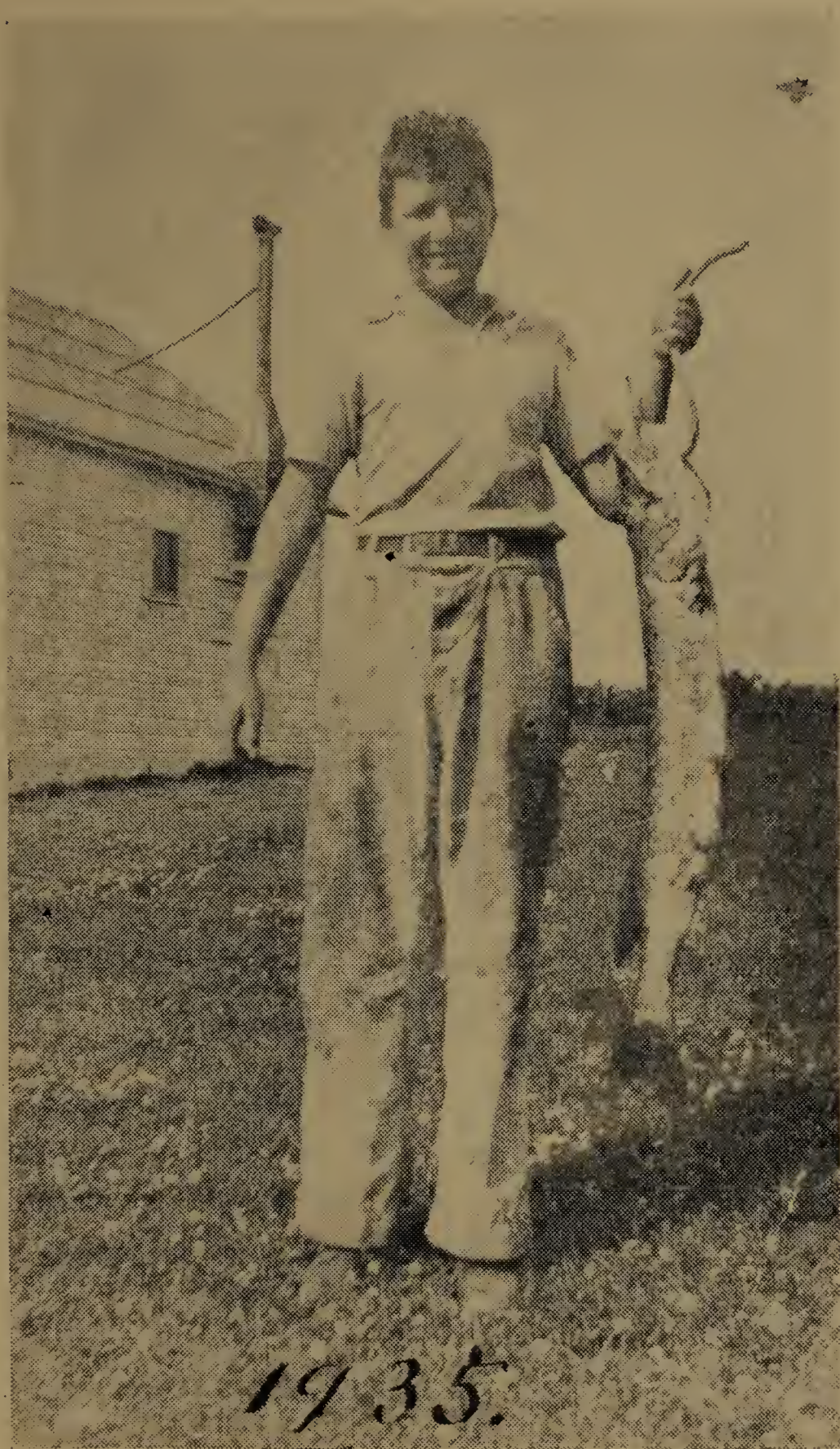
5. ERNST FRIEDRICH STAEHLING

Ernst Staehling was born February 2, 1915, at Waupun, Wisconsin. He attended Wartburg Academy, College and is now in his third year at the Seminary. Address: Wartburg Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa.

6. AUGUST GUSTAV ADOLF FERDINAND STAEHLING

August Staehling was born October 22, 1919, at Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. He is a graduate of Waupun High School and attended Wartburg College at Waverly, Iowa, for one and one-half years. He is at present employed with the C. A. Shaler Company of Waupun. Address: 525 West Main Street, Waupun, Wisconsin.





Picture—August Staehling, youngest member of the second generation of the Staehling family group. The picture was taken at Fox Lake, Wisconsin, in 1935. Augie, the happy fisherman, at the age of 15.

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## **Third Generation of the Staehling Family in the U.S.A., the Great-Grandchildren of Vater and Mutter Staehling**

### **GROUP I. (See 2nd generation, Group A, No. 1)**

#### **1. GEORGE HENRY STAEHLING**

Married in April, 1937, to Veralda Margaret Penn. Address: Chicago, Ill. George H. Staehling was born May 7, 1915, at Chicago, Illinois. Education: High school. Occupation: Scaler at Swift & Company. Veralda Penn was born November 27, 1917, at Barnesboro, Pennsylvania. Address: 5519 S. Kenwood, Chicago, Illinois.

CHILDREN—*George H., Jr., Kenneth.*

#### **2. ANNETTE ELISABETH STAEHLING**

Married November 15, 1935, to John Pius Penn. Annette Staehling was born November 11, 1916, at Chicago, Illinois. Education: High School. Her husband, John Pius Penn, was born June 2, 1910, at Barnesboro, Pennsylvania. Education: High School. Occupation: Sole Owner, Penn Instrument Company. Rep. and Mfg. Precision Instruments. Address: 7238 Greenwood St., Chicago, Illinois.

CHILDREN—*Martha Anita.*

#### **3. CHRISTOPHER JOHN STAEHLING**

Was born November 18, 1918, at Chicago, Illinois. Education: High School. Occupation: Meat Cutter, A&P Company. Address: Chicago, Illinois.

### **GROUP II. (See 2nd generation, Group A, No. 2)**

#### **1. DOROTHY KARLENA SYLVESTA SEITZINGER**

Married July 17, 1929, to Lyle Ray Houghtby. Address: Waterman, Ill. Dorothy Seitzinger was born August 12, 1905, at Somonauk, Illinois. Education: High School and Nurses' Training Course at Waterman, Illinois. Lyle Roy Houghtby was born October 28, 1907, at Shabbone Grove, DeKalb County, Illinois. Occupation: Farmer.

#### **2. PAUL HENRY SEITZINGER**

Was born June 25, 1907, at town Victor, DeKalb County, Illinois. Education: High School. Occupation: Auto mechanic at the Dewey-Nash Garage, Aurora, Illinois. Address: Somonauk, Illinois.

#### **3. GRETCHEN REBECCA SEITZINGER**

Was born December 27, 1911, in town Victor, DeKalb County, Illinois. Education: Community High School at Waterman, Illinois. Musical training—piano and voice. Occupation: Clerk in General Store at Somonauk, Illinois. Address: Somonauk, Illinois.

### **GROUP III. (See 2nd generation, Group A, No. 3)**

#### **1. MARY KATHRYN STAEHLING**

Was born September 16, 1918, at Chicago, Illinois. Education: High School, two years at Worster College, Ohio State University. Occupation: Student. Present day address when not at school is Delta, Ohio.

#### **2. EDWARD CHESTER STAEHLING**

Was born August 19, 1920, at Chicago, Illinois. Education: High School. Occupation: Student at Ohio State University. Present-day address when not at school is Delta, Ohio.

### **GROUP IV. (See 2nd generation, Group A, No. 4)**

#### **1. KATHRYN MARGRETTA LIST**

Married to Herbert Clyde Wilson. Kathryn List was born January 21, 1915, at Chicago, Illinois. Education: High School and one year at Carthage College, Carthage, Illinois. Occupation: Saleslady at Stevens Department Store before her mar-



riage. Present day address: 3749 Lake Park Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

CHILDREN—*David, William Robert.*

David and William Robert Wilson, also of Chicago, Illinois.

## **GROUP V. (See 2nd generation Group B, No. 2)**

### **1. DONNA MARIE STAEHLING**

Born July 25, 1916, at Missoula, Montana. Education: Graduated from University of California in 1938. Occupation: Student at University of Oregon. Address: 1316 Alder St., Eugene, Oregon.

### **2. DOROTHY ANN STAEHLING**

Born October 5, 1918, at Berkeley, California. Education and occupation: Student at the University of California. Address: 1635 Scenic Avenue, Berkeley, Calif.

## **GROUP VI. (See 2nd generation. Group B, No. 3)**

### **1. HENRY HELLWIG STAEHLING**

Born May 21, 1914, at Sheboygan, Wisconsin. Education: Columbia High School, South Orange, New Jersey. Washington-Lee University, Lexington, Virginia. Occupation: Special representative International Business Machines Corporation. Address: 372 Prospect Street, South Orange, New Jersey.

## **GROUP VII. (See 2nd generation. Group B, No. 4)**

### **1. JEAN ST. CLAIR STAEHLING**

Was born October 14, 1914, at Bozeman, Montana. Education: Hyde Park High School. B.S. in Physical Education at University of Illinois. Occupation: Teacher. Address: 15615 Turlington Avenue, Harvey, Illinois.

### **2. EDWIN HAL STAEHLING**

Was born October 9, 1916, at Bozeman, Montana. Education: High School. B.S. University of Chicago. Occupation: Salesman. Address: 15615 Turlington Avenue, Harvey, Illinois.

### **3. DAVID MARTIN STAEHLING**

Was born April 14, 1924, at Chicago, Illinois. Education: Grade School at Harvey, Illinois. Address: Same as above.

## **GROUP VIII. (See 2nd generation, Group B, No. 5)**

### **1. FREDERICK EUGENE STAEHLING**

Was born August 25, 1914, at Kankakee, Illinois. Education: Joliet High School. Occupation: Super Service Station Owner. Address: 1115 Bryan Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

### **2. MARY LOUISE STAEHLING**

Was born January 4, 1921, at Kankakee, Illinois. Education and Occupation: Student of Joliet Township High School. Address: Same as above.

### **3. JOHN PINCKARD STAEHLING**

Was born June 5, 1927, at Joliet, Illinois. Education and occupation: Attends public school, 6th grade. Address: Same as above.

## **GROUP IX. (See 2nd generation. Group B, No. 6)**

### **1. BARBARA CEIL STAEHLING**

Was born June 25, 1921, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Education and occupation: High School student. Address: 508 Prescott Road, Merion, Pennsylvania.

### **2. JOAN CLAIRE STAEHLING**

Was born June 24, 1929, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Education: Grade School Student.

## **GROUP X. (See 2nd generation, Group B, No. 7)**

### **1. SHIRLEY LILLIAN STAEHLING**

Was born February 22, 1920, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Education: Joliet Township High School, Joliet Junior College. Address: 418 N. Nicholson Street, Joliet, Illinois.

### **2. MARILYN EDITH STAEHLING**

Was born November 21, 1921, at Peoria, Illinois. Education: Joliet Township High School graduate. Address: Same as No. 1.

## **GROUP XI. (See 2nd generation, Group B, No. 8)**

### **1. NAOMI DANNETTE SCHREITER**

Born in 1923. Education: Junior High School.

### **2. PAUL HERBERT SCHREITER**

Born in 1927. Education: Student in 8th grade.

### **3. MARY SCHREITER**

Born in 1931. Education: Student in 4th grade.

## **GROUP XII. (See 2nd generation, Group C, No. 3)**

### **1. RICHARD GEORGE STAEHLING**

Born July 21, 1922, at Ellsworth, Hamilton County, Iowa. Education: High School Student. Address: 1205 N. 5th Street, Mankato, Minnesota.

### **2. RUTH ELLEN STAEHLING**

Born May 10, 1925, at Dundee, Delaware County, Iowa. Education: Junior High School Student. Address: Same as No. 1.

## **GROUP XIII. (See 2nd generation Group C, No. 7)**

### **1. ROBERT JOHN STAEHLING**

Born October 1, 1938, at Iowa Falls, Iowa. At the time of the publication of this booklet. Robert John Staehling is the youngest member of the 3rd generation of the Staehling family group.

## **GROUP XIV. (See 2nd generation, Group D, No. 1)**

### **1. MARIE LOUISE KRAUSS**

Married October 15, 1933, to Howard John Vogel at Stuttgart, Kansas. Address: 541 South 4th Street, Phillipsburg, Kansas. Marie Louise Krauss was born December 10, 1911, at Eustis, Nebraska. Education: High School graduate. Howard John Vogel was born September 16, 1910, at Stuttgart, Kansas. Education: High School and Business College. Occupation: Implement Dealer.

### **2. KARL FRIEDRICK KRAUSS**

Born March 17, 1913, at Eustis, Nebraska. Education: A.B. at University of Kansas. Occupation: Reporter. Address: Stuttgart, Kansas.

### **3. OTTO JOHN KRAUSS**

Born March 3, 1915, at Cook, Johnson County, Nebraska. Education: High School Graduate and post graduate work. Occupation: Bookkeeper.

### **4. GERTRUDE EMILIE KRAUSS**

Born October 10, 1917, at Cook, Otoe, Nebraska. Education: High School Graduate and Night School. Occupation: Stenography and Clerical Work. Address: 1101 Tyler Street, Topeka, Kansas.



5. ROBERT GEORGE KRAUSS

Born January 14, 1924, at Plainview, Pierre County, Kansas. Education: Senior High School student. Address: Stuttgart, Kansas.

6. EUGENE PAUL KRAUSS

Born June 17, 1926, at Garden City, Finney County, Nebraska. Education: Grade School Student.

**GROUP XV. (See 2nd generation, Group D, No. 2)**

1. ESTHER MARIE KRAUSHAAR

Married April 24, 1937, to Donald Alfred Liercke. Address: 819 W. 3rd St., Storm Lake, Iowa. Esther Kraushaar was born November 11, 1911, at Hague, North Dakota. Education: High School, Aberdeen, South Dakota. University of Iowa, B.A.

2. ELINOR BERTHA KRAUSHAAR

Married August 23, 1939, to Lindley Kent Wyatt at Aberdeen, South Dakota. Elinor Kraushaar was born July 3, 1914, at Aberdeen, South Dakota. Education: Northern State Teachers' College (1 yr.), State University of Washington (1 yr.), State University of Iowa (2 years), B.A.; Smith College at Northampton, Mass. (M.A.). Occupation: Psychiatric Social Service. Address: 1792 E. 100th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

3. OTTO FRIDOLIN KRAUSHAAR

Was born June 28, 1917, at Aberdeen, South Dakota. Education: Northern State Teachers' College (1 yr.), State University of Iowa (3 yrs.). B.S. Occupation: Student of Medicine at Iowa City, Iowa. Address: Nu Sigma Nu House, Iowa City, Iowa.

**GROUP XVI. (See 2nd generation Group D, No. 3)**

1. RUTH MARIE KRAUSHAAR

Married May 25, 1935, to Roy Rankin Krezdorn. Address: Kingsville, Texas. Ruth Marie Kraushaar was born July 3, 1912, at Aberdeen, South Dakota. Education: Graduate of Texas Lutheran College, Texas University 1933 B.A. One semester at Tulane University in New Orleans. Roy R. Krezdorn was born January 30, 1910, at Shreveport, Louisiana. Education: B.S. from Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College. Worked on M.A. at Texas A. and M. College. Occupation: Geographical work for Texas Company.

2. DOROTHEA RENATA KRAUSHAAR

Married January 5, 1934, to Harvey Edward Wuest at Seguin, Texas. Address: McQueeney, Texas. Dorothea R. Kraushaar was born August 4, 1914, at Aberdeen, South Dakota. Education: High School, Texas Lutheran College, University of Texas. Harvey Wuest was born November 30, 1912, at McQueeney, Guadalupe County, Texas. Education: High School, Texas University, B.A. Occupation: Merchant.

3. JEANETTE GRETCHEN MARIE KRAUSHAAR

Was born July 3, 1920, at Aberdeen, South Dakota. Education: High School and one year college. Occupation: Student. Address: Seguin, Texas.

**GROUP XVII. (See 2nd generation, Group D, No. 4)**

1. STANDLEY BOWEN

Born April 30, 1923, at Los Angeles, California.

2. JOHN HERMAN BOWEN

Born March 24, 1924, at Los Angeles, California.

3. ELINOR BOWEN

Born in 1928 at Beverly Hills, California.

## **GROUP XIX. (See 2nd generation, Group D, No. 6)**

1. KRISTI MARIE KRAUSHAAR  
Born July 21, 1922.
2. EDA R. KRAUSHAAR.  
Born January 19, 1924.
3. ROLF OTTO KRAUSHAAR  
Born October 17, 1925.
4. JOHN PAUL KRAUSHAAR  
Born April 17, 1928.

## **GROUP XX. (See 2nd generation, Group D, No. 7)**

1. MARGARET JANE NELSON  
Born June 30, 1931.
2. MOLLIE NELSON  
Born November 30, 1932.

## **GROUP XXI. (See 2nd generation, Group D, No. 8)**

1. GRETCHEN MARIE HANSEN  
Was born August 4, 1927, at Waverly, Iowa. Education: Grade school student, 7th Grade. Minneapolis, Minnesota.
2. JOHN FREDERICK HANSEN  
Was born July 12, 1929, at Harmony, Fillmore County, Minnesota. Education: Grade School student, 5th grade.

## **GROUP XXII. (See 2nd generation, Group D, No. 9)**

1. JO ANNE KRAUSHAAR  
Born May 18, 1928, at Burt, Iowa.

## **GROUP XXIII. (See 2nd generation, Group E, No. 2)**

1. AUGUST JOHN ENGELBRECHT  
Was born September 10, 1914, at Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. Education: High School, Wartburg College and Wartburg Seminary. Occupation: Student. Address Dubuque, Iowa.
2. ALFRED EDWIN ENGELBRECHT  
Was born July 6, 1916, at Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. Education: High School and Wartburg College. Occupation: Teaching. Address: Mendota, Illinois.
3. PAULUS HANS HERBERT ENGELBRECHT  
Was born September 22, 1919, at Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. Education: High School and two years college. Occupation: Student.
4. EDGAR FREDERICK ENGELBRECHT  
Was born April 8, 1923, at Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. He departed life on March 5, 1937, at the age of 13 years, 10 months and 25 days. II Tim. 4:18.
5. RUTH ROSEMARY ENGELBRECHT  
Was born July 7, 1928, at Mendota, Illinois.
6. WALTER SIGMUND ENGELBRECHT  
Was born September 28, 1932, at Mendota, Illinois.



#### **GROUP XXIV. (See 2nd generation, Group E, No. 3)**

1. BARBARA HELENE FRITSCHER  
Was born January 22, 1926, at Independence, Buchanan County, Iowa. Education: Student in 8th Grade. Address: Charles City, Iowa.
2. KATHRYN ANNETTE FRITSCHER  
Was born August 3, 1936, at Mt. Clemens, Macomb County, Michigan. Address: Charles City, Iowa.

#### **GROUP XXV. (See 2nd generation, Group F, No. 1)**

1. MARGARET PROEHL  
Born December 31, 1922.
2. ARTHUR PROEHL  
Born May 10, 1924.
3. GERTRUDE PROEHL  
Born April 30, 1925.
4. OTTO CARL PROEHL  
Born May 3, 1927.

#### **GROUP XXVI. (See 2nd generation, Group F, No. 2)**

1. ELEANORE MARIE KUHLMANN  
Was born February 16, 1923, at Minneapolis, Minnesota. Education: Student at West High School, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
2. JOHN HENRY KUHLMANN  
Was born August 10, 1929, at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

#### **GROUP XXVII. (See 2nd generation, Group F, No. 4)**

1. MARY ANNA KUHLMANN  
Was born April 7, 1929, at Toledo, Ohio. Education: Grade school student. Address: Waverly, Iowa.
2. HERMANN JOHN KUHLMANN  
Was born April 10, 1932, at Eureka, South Dakota. Education: Grade school student. Address: Waverly, Iowa.

#### **GROUP XXVIII. (See 2nd generation, Group F, No. 5)**

1. FRANK HENRY KUHLMANN, JR.  
Was born March 21, 1932, at Sterling, Nebraska.
2. JANET MARIE KUHLMANN  
Born August 16, 1938, at Lincoln, Nebraska.

#### **GROUP XXIX. (See 2nd generation, Group F, No. 6)**

1. CAROL ANN KUHLMANN  
Was born December 27, 1931, at Chicago, Illinois.



## GROUP XXX. (See 2nd generation, Group F, No. 8)

### 1. GEORGE HENRY KUHLMANN, JR.



John Pinckard Staehling is one of the younger representatives of the third generation of the family group. He is the son of Fred G. and the Grandson of Hellwig Staehling, Joliet, Illinois. John is quite a musician.



Robert John Staehling is at the present time the youngest member of the third generation of the Staehling family. He is the son of Gus L. Staehling and the Grandson of J. O. Staehling, Albert Lea, Minnesota.

## The Fourth Generation of the Staehling Family—the Family Tree Is

### Still Growing

The latest seven branches of the family tree are: Robert Lee Vogel and Stanley John Vogel of Phillipsburg, Kansas, born September 27, 1934, and December 6, 1936, respectively.

Martha Anita Penn and George Henry Staehling, Jr., and Kenneth Staehling, born October 6, 1939, of Chicago, Illinois.





*Picture of Martha Anita Penn*

Martha Anita Penn, born December 9, 1937, is one of the youngest members of the fourth generation, the great-great-granddaughter of Mutter Stachling.



*Picture of George Henry, Jr.*

George Henry Staehling, Jr., born July 24, 1938, is at the present time the second youngest member of the Staehling family group. He is the son of George H. Staehling, the grandson of George August and the great-grandson of F. H. Staehling, Somonauk, Illinois.

At present the Staehling family group comprises 288 members, 49 male members with the name Staehling (living).

## FINIS

ONE of the objects to be attained by publishing this family folder is to create a bond of union between the members of the Staehling family group. Vater Staehling in his last days always expressed it as his sincere wish and prayer that his children should not drift apart from each other. His prayer has been answered. For many years a circular letter makes the rounds among the nine members of the first generation and keeps them united by the "ties that bind our hearts in Christian love."

This folder should also create a feeling of oneness. You now have the names and addresses of all the relatives on hand, use the opportunities that may offer themselves when traveling through the country to make the acquaintance of relatives residing in places you pass through. When you know of birthdays or other anniversaries to be celebrated by someone of our family group, send a card of greeting, even if you are not personally acquainted.

Family reunions have been held to keep the interest alive in our family circle. Reunions were held in 1927, 1928, 1930 and 1934 at Clinton, Iowa. The last one was held two years ago, August 18, 1937, at Lowell Park, Dixon, Illinois. A picture of the first family reunion, 12 years ago, is here given.

You will find blank pages in the folder for your convenience. The history of the family tree is not completed. The tree is still growing. Note on these pages whatever may be of importance to your own family or the family group at large.

It may prove interesting to you to answer for yourselves a few questions on the basis of the information this booklet offers to you. How many descendants of Vater and Mutter Staehling are living today? In how many states of our U.S.A. are members of our family group found? What occupations or callings are represented by members of the family circle? How many in our relationship are ministers, professors, doctors, or business men, etc.? How many in our family group have been married on August 21st? Many more questions could be asked.

We, the members of the Staehling family group, can be proud of our ancestry. Let us attempt to keep up the good name which our forefathers have given us.

Fifty-six names are listed in the family group from 1598 to 1939. Names may be added.

Anderson	Ide	Rehfeld
Baumgaertner	Jungclaus	Sandel
Becker	Karle	Sass
Bowen	Kraushaar	Schenk
Brueckner	Krauss	Schreiter
Carlson	Krezdorn	Seitzinger
Clasing	Kuhlmann	Smid
Damler	Lang	Staehling
Doerbecker	Liercke	Stage
Engelbrecht	List	Stamm
Freyberg	Martin	Studier
Fritschel	McDonald	Tebbens
Gilmore	Meyer	Vogel
Gram	Mohr	Waltz
Guenther	Nelson	Weidmann
Hansen	Penn	Wilson
Hoeck	Pinckard	Wuest
Hoeger	Proehl	Wyatt
Houghtby	Rosander	



This little poem was composed by the second oldest member of the first generation of the family group, Hellwig Stachling of Joliet, Illinois, in loving memory of his dear parents and the childhood days in the old German homeland. The translation has been kindly rendered by another member of the first generation, Herman Brueckner, of Hbron, Nebraska.

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## AT HOME

In god's creation far andwide  
Where men and nations may abide  
No place appears to us so good  
As that in which our cradle stood.

In Hessia, near a gurgling brook,  
Our parents owned a shady nook.  
There we beheld their radiant smile  
And heard the words that knew no guile.

They led us on the narrow way  
And taught us how in faith to pray:  
"O Christ, Thy blood and righteousness  
My beauty are, my festal dress."

Through stress and strain, through weal and woe  
They guided us while here below.  
And now their spirits from above  
Look down upon their own in love.

They are at home with Christ the Lord,  
A crown of life is their reward.  
They are arrayed before God's throne  
With all whom Jesus calls His own.

They dwell for aye in fields of light,  
Nor sin nor death their joy can blight.  
Yes, thither they have gone before  
To be at home for evermore.

There we shall also be at home  
When we on earth no longer roam.  
In heaven we shall meet again.  
God grant it, saying, Yea, Amen!





*The First Family Reunion, August 3, 1927, at Clinton, Iowa*

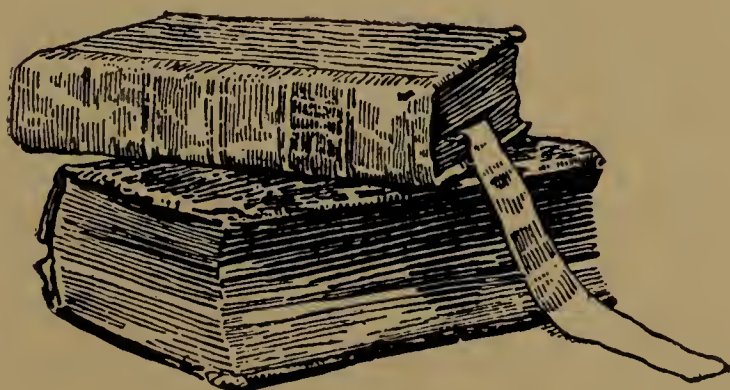




*Mutter Emilie Staehling, nee Clasing*



This is a little motto embroidered by Mutter Staehling  
Nur Selig means: Only to be saved!



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